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LOCAL BASEBALL OFFICIALS APPLAUD JUDGE LANDIS'S RESIGNATION;  
JOE RAY BETTERS WORLD'S MARK FOR 3,000 METERS BY 17-10 SECONDS

Ruppert, Huston and Ebbets Hail Commissioner's Quitting Federal Bench as a Salutary Move for the Game—'I'll Vote for Him for Life,' Says the Squire of Flatbush.

BUSH SEES BARROW, LEAVES IN SMILES

Pitcher Does Not Sign, but Will Be Back To-morrow and Then Go to Hot Springs—Brooklyn Signs Youngsters and Issues Marching Orders.

By DANIEL.

That Judge Landis's resignation from the Federal bench may be regarded as a splendid move for baseball was the opinion expressed by major league officials in this city yesterday. Col. Ruppert and Col. Huston of the Yankees and Charles H. Ebbets of the Brooklyn club united in hailing the Judge's action as a salutary one from several angles. Charles A. Stoneham of the Giants preferred not to be quoted on the subject, as he held that it was Landis's personal business.

"I regard the Judge's resignation as notice that he will devote all his time to baseball—that he appreciates the seriousness and extent of the work which he has undertaken for the professional leagues," said Col. Ruppert. "It means that we are to get all the spare hours of one of the best minds in this country—and certainly that is a remarkable privilege for baseball."

"Without question Judge Landis has found that the position requires far more time and attention than he had expected. He has found that he must give personal attention to a lot of details. No case is too small, for he feels that every case is an important one to somebody. Baseball is to be congratulated."

Coming from a club owner who has been hit by the most severe decision rendered by Judge Landis as a baseball commissioner—his decision suspending Babe Ruth and Bob Meusel until May 1—Col. Ruppert's encomium was a boost indeed. Col. Huston's views were, in substance, similar to those of his partner.

Ebbets Gets a Scare.

Ebbets had to get over the effects of a severe scare before he could settle down to a declaration of his impression of the Judge's move. "What do you think of Landis's resignation?" the Squire of Flatbush was asked. "Good heavens, I think the Judge resigned!" queried Ebbets, consternation writ all over his face.

"Why, yes, haven't you heard that he has quit the Federal bench?" we replied.

"Well, well, that's different. You certainly gave me a scare. You sent my heart down to my boots. I thought you meant that he had resigned as baseball commissioner. That would have been a real calamity for the game," he came back, with a sigh of relief.

"The Judge's decision to devote himself to baseball is wonderful—wonderful. He has resigned because he appreciates conditions in baseball require his undivided attention. He is a great man and we are fortunate to have him all to ourselves. I will vote for him for life. His decisions have been fine. Some of these hit me hard, but a little rumbling, but even they soon realize that he is doing a great work."

Judge Landis's resignation from the bench was not entirely unexpected. Baseball circles. It is quite likely that he would have quit the judicial position long ago but for the strong opposition which developed both in Chicago and Washington against his holding the two jobs. His Federal Judgeship brought him an annual salary of \$7,500 and his baseball position is worth \$2,500 a year. When organized baseball appointed him a commissioner, it wanted to pay him \$5,000 a year, but he asked that the amount of his salary as a judge be deducted.

Bush Here to Sign Soon.

Joe Bush, the speedball right-hander who came to the Yankees with Sam Jones and Everett Scott in the Peckinpaugh deal, came up from Philadelphia yesterday and paid a visit to the offices of the Yankees. Bush, it will be recalled, has not yet signed for 1922.

"Bullet Joe" talked with Ed Barrow for a long while. He even said "Howdy" to the two Colonels. Finally Joe made a statement for Barrow, where he will spend a few days preliminary to leaving for Hot Springs. He will be back here on Monday or Tuesday to sign. Bush said that he had put his signature to a contract, but he wore a broad smile and left the impression that his interview with Barrow had been rather satisfactory. At any rate Bush and the club are very far apart. It is certain that Joe will get a substantial increase. Bush believes that with a club like the Yankees behind him he should win twenty-five games next season. Let's hope he has the right dope.

Dodgers Sign Two More.

Charley Ebbets yesterday announced that he had signed Harry Shriver, a young pitcher who batted from righty of the Michigan-Ontario League, and John Roseberry, an outfielder from the Flint club of the same circuit. Roseberry, who may expect fans of other teams to make a race for him, lives over in Broomfield, N. J.

Charley issued marching orders to Al Mamaux, Hal Janvin, Clarence Mitchell, Roy Amer, Roseberry, John Sutton, Billy McCarren and Harry Fisher, a Brooklyn semi-professional who has been added to the party. They will sail from here on Thursday. Larry Sutton will be in charge of the team. They are expected at Jacksonville on Sunday and will find Wilbert Robinson and Nap Rucker there to greet them.

Giants Leave on Sunday.

Jim Tierney of the Giants yesterday completed the list of those who will report at San Antonio on March 1 ready to start work. The local delegation, headed by Magistrate McQuade, Tierney and probably Stoneham, will leave next Sunday at 10 A. M. from the Pennsylvania Terminal. Tierney has sent the list to John McGraw at Havana for his final approval.

Highway Jennings left for San Antonio yesterday from his home in Scranton, while Frank Snyder, who lives in Alamo City, and Dave Baneroff are already there.

Farrell Announces Decisions.

John H. Farrell, secretary of the National Association of Minor League Clubs, was here yesterday for a session of the Board of Arbitration. He announced two interesting decisions—one affecting Larry Cheney, former Dodger pitcher, and Claude Davenport, a long-looked pitcher who was with the Giants last spring, and the other concerning Jack Warhop, who used to be a Yankee

New York Players Who Will Begin Training at Hot Springs This Week

BILL RYAN  
GIANTS.CECIL CAUSEY  
GIANTS.PHIL DOUGLAS  
GIANTS.EARL SMITH  
GIANTS.FRED TONEY  
GIANTS.DE VORMER  
YANKS.EVERETT SCOTT  
YANKS.MIKE MCNALLY  
YANKS.O'Connell, Sold to Giants,  
Lands 'Record Salary'

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—Jimmy O'Connell, young San Francisco baseball player, for whom the Giants recently paid \$75,000 for 1922 delivery, signed his 1922 contract with the local club of the Pacific Coast League to-day, Secretary George Putnam announced.

"O'Connell, under the contract signed to-day, will receive the largest salary ever given to a minor league baseball player," Putnam said. The amount was not made public, but it was said to be around \$10,000. The \$75,000 paid for the player was said to have been the greatest amount ever given for a minor league.

O'Connell, it was said several days ago, wanted \$7,000 of the purchase price before signing. This demand, it was reported unofficially, was met through a presentation of cash and through the large salary. Last year O'Connell, just breaking in, received a much smaller salary.

Slinger. San Antonio traded Davenport to Charleston for Cheney, but the deal was ordered dissolved. Warhop was awarded to Columbia of the Sally after a contest by Suffolk of the Virginia League.

Everett Scott Arrives at  
Hot Springs Training Camp

Yankee Shortstop Is in Splendid Condition.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

HOT SPRINGS, Feb. 18.—The local baseball colony gained a notable recruit to-day when Everett Scott, shortstop of the Yankees, sifted into town. Al Davenport, catcher, also was expected here to-day, but missed a connection somewhere and hadn't been sighted this evening. Neither had Carl May, Bob Shawkey, Sam Jones, Joe Bush, Frank Baker and others assigned to the Hot Springs squad. It is expected, however, that Mike McNally will get here Monday and Waite Hoyt and Wallie Schang Wednesday. All three will be accompanied by their wives.

Scott appeared to be in splendid condition after a winter devoted to hunting fishing and basketball. He said he was five or six pounds heavier than when he reported to the Red Sox last spring, but declared that he could play a full nine-inning game to-morrow if called upon to do so. "I am always pretty active through the off season and seldom require much work in the spring. I remember one spring I got here about 11 o'clock one morning with the Red Sox, and at 2 o'clock that afternoon we started a game against the Pittsburgh Pirates. Some of the boys were pretty well fagged before we had gone very far, but it didn't bother me and I felt no bad after effects."

As a matter of course the Deacon claimed the right for the Yankees. "With such a flock of pitchers to hold the opposition it's hard to see how we can lose," he said.

"The Yankees won a pennant last season with only two dependable pitchers, and now it looks as though we would have at least four topnotchers for the coming campaign. This means that we will have a high class pitcher every day instead of only every other day, and it's tough, mighty tough, to be at a club that always has a first class pitcher on tap."

Scott predicts that May will be just as effective this year as he was last. That Hoyt, because of confidence engendered by his world series successes, will be better than ever, and that Sammy Jones and Bullet Joe Bush will be the slatest winners for the Yanks.

"Jones always has been a great road pitcher," he said, "and now that Bush has gained control of his fast ball, a delivery he perfected last season, he is one of the best right handers in the league. All he needs is control of the ball that won so many games for him throughout the latter half of the 1921 campaign."

"Scott is not only glad to be with the Yankees but he is delighted with the terms of his employment. The contract offered me for the same salary I received last year, and I sent a back to New York with a letter explaining why I thought I would be worth a greater sum to the Yanks. A few days later I received another contract for \$500 more than the amount stipulated in my letter. Is it any wonder I'm glad to be a Yankee?"

## Gleason Releases Three.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Before leaving for Martin to-day Kid Gleason announced the release of three White Sox. These are Pitcher Joe Kiefer of Sioux City, who is sent to the Des Moines club of the Western League; Fred Brecht, outfielder, obtained from Joplin of the Western League, who has been sent to the Columbus club of the American Association; and Jack Wenecke, pitcher, from Springfield, Ill., who was with the White Sox for a time last season and then sent to St. Paul. He has been released to the Buffalo club in the International League.

RUBE MARQUARD IS  
TRADED TO BRAVES

Kopf Also Goes to Boston in Deal Which Makes Scott a Red.

John Scott, pitcher, has been traded by the Boston Nationals to the Cincinnati Reds for Pitcher "Rube" Marquard and Infielder Larry Kopf, according to an announcement made here last night by George W. Grant, owner of the Braves.

"This looks to me like a trade that will help both of our clubs," President Grant said to-night before leaving for Boston. "I hated to let John go, for I consider him one of the best assets any club could have. But I had five right handed pitchers and not a single left hander, and, besides, I needed a good shortstop to round out my infield. I think Marquard will go along well for me for a year or two at least, and Kopf will strengthen our infield very much."

## Basketball Results.

Newburgh Academy (girls), 21; Drumhill H. S., 18.  
Hudson H. S., 28; Mahanoy City H. S., 20.  
Hudson H. S., 41; De La Salle, 28.  
Cuffside H. S. (girls), 23; Rutgers H. S., 20.  
New York Military Academy, 34; Drum Hill, 21.  
Rutgers, 45; Lehigh, 23.  
Penn. St. University, 24; Dartmouth (freshmen), 25; Williams, 12.  
Princeton, 20; Swarthmore, 15.  
Crescent A. C., 24; Upsilon, 20.  
Michigan, 18; Wisconsin, 17.  
Jews University, 31; Ohio State, 27.  
C. C. N. Y., 26; Syracuse, 18.  
Cornell, 23; N. Y. U., 23.  
West Virginia University, 37; West Virginia Wesleyan, 25.  
Wendover, 42; Andover, 14.  
Illinois, 25; Minnesota, 15.  
Purdue, 25; Chicago, 16.

Army Boxers Win Six of  
Seven Bouts From Penn State

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

WEST POINT, Feb. 18.—Army's boxers took six of the seven bouts staged here to-day in a contest with Penn State. The cadet glovermen won one bout by a knockout, Black taking the count after two minutes of fighting with Maglin Jr. the 175 pound event. All the other bouts were won by decision, two of them, the 115 pound class, between Dugan and Reese, and the 145 pound class, between Ascher and Bordner, going an extra round to decide. Chapin won State's only fight, outpointing Meister in the 125 pound class. The summary:

115 Pound Class—Dugan, Army, defeated Meister, Penn State, by decision, three rounds.  
145 Pound Class—Ascher, Army, defeated Bordner, Penn State, by decision, three rounds and an extra round.  
160 Pound Class—Burrett, Army, defeated Taylor, Penn State, by decision, three rounds.  
175 Pound Class—Maglin, Army, defeated Black, Penn State, by knockout after two minutes fighting in first round.  
Unlimited Class—Davidson, Army, defeated Crawford, Penn State, by decision, three rounds. Score: Army won six bouts, Penn State one.

## Collegian to Join Cubs.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

COLDSPRING PARK, Md., Feb. 18.—Victor O. Keene of Philadelphia, starting pitcher of the University of Maryland nine for three years, is soon to leave the university to join the Chicago Cubs for spring training. It was announced to-day. Keene was signed by the Cubs last fall after he had won thirty-three straight games against semi-pro clubs around Philadelphia, and it is stated that the Cubs' manager was impressed with the Black and Gold flash in a preliminary tryout.

Skill and Condition Win  
for Midshipmen Wrestlers

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 18.—Naval Academy wrestlers won this afternoon from the cadets of Virginia Military Institute by 25 to 0, taking five of the seven bouts by decisions and two by falls. The victors, in most instances, wrestled with more gameness but lacked both the skill and the condition of the Midshipmen. Yelveston and Engeman were the Midshipmen who gained falls, both wrestling with much skill and aggressiveness. The summary:

115 Pound Class—Hopkins, Navy, gained decision over Woodward, Virginia. Time, 9 minutes.  
125 Pound Class—Walton, Navy, gained decision over Venable, Virginia. Time, 9 minutes.  
135 Pound Class—B. B. Adell, Navy, gained decision over Baird, Virginia. Time, 9 minutes.  
145 Pound Class—Leighly, Navy, gained decision over Parrott, Virginia. Time, 9 minutes.  
155 Pound Class—Yelveston, Navy, threw Carlton, Virginia, with an arm lock and body hold. Time, 1 minute 5 seconds.  
175 Pound Class—Engeman, Navy, gained decision over Pendleton, Virginia. Time, 9 minutes.  
Unlimited Weight Class—Engeman, Navy, threw Harboure, Virginia, with a side chair and arm lock. Time, 2 minutes 10 seconds.  
Referee: Ganster, Baltimore Athletic Club.

## Hockey Results.

Yale Freshmen, 7; Harvard Freshmen, 4.  
Andover, 3; Essex, 0.  
Amherst, 3; Williams, 2.  
Montclair H. S., 1; Peabody, 0.  
Harvard, 2; Princeton, 0.  
Yale, 6; Cornell, 3.  
Quaker City, 4; Westminster, 3.

Chicagoan Covers Course in 8:31 2-5 at Thirteenth Regiment Armory.

PLANT GETS A RECORD

Morningside A. C. Walker Completes 3,000 Meter Contest in 12:54 1-5.

One new world's record and one new American mark were established last night at the annual indoor games of the Wilco Athletic Association in the Thirteenth Regiment Armory in Brooklyn. Joie Ray of the Illinois Athletic Club of Chicago, who a fortnight ago hung up a new world's mile and a quarter mark, and William Plant of the Morningside Athletic Club were responsible for the record breaking feats.

Ray in hanging up his mark erased E. Zanda's world's mark of 8:33 1-10 for 3,000 meters. Zanda made this record in Sweden in 1918. Ray also bettered the American amateur record which was made by George Bonham over the same track on December 16, 1911. Bonham's record was 8 minutes 35 seconds.

In winning the event Ray captured the Hirsch trophy, a beautiful cup.

John Romig of Penn State finished second, fifty yards behind Ray, while R. Earl Johnson of Pittsburgh was third, forty yards in the rear of Romig. Walter Higgins of Columbia University finished a poor fourth. Eddie Garvey of the Paulist A. C., the only other starter, failed to finish.

Ray took the lead at the start and never was headed. The little Westerner was in fine condition, and on the first lap opened up a big gap between himself and Romig. Ray never slackened his pace once during the race. He continued at the same gait all the way through, which was far too fast for his rivals.

Ray's time at the quarter mile stations was as follows: 2:15 2-5 seconds, 2:31 2-5, 3:24 4-5, 4:32 3-5, 5:42 3-5, 6:53 3-5, 8:04 3-5.

## Plant Sets Own Pace.

The other standard came in the 3,000 meter walking race, when Plant completed the distance in 12:54 1-5, taking two and one-fifth seconds off his own outdoor record of 12:56 2-5, made June 26, 1920, in Philadelphia.

Plant had not been forced to make his own pace in the last half mile of the race there is little doubt that a new world's record would have been hung up by the Morningside walker.

The American record holder started from scratch with Joseph Pearson of the New York A. C. This pair allowed their rivals handicaps from 25 to 75 yards. Plant at the crack of the starter's gun started off at a fast clip, and before a half mile had been covered was fast picking up the field. At the mile mark Plant was far up in front, and continued to walk in this position until he next half mile had been completed when he overtook the leaders. From this point until he crossed the finish line 75 yards in front of Ted Neundorfer, an untried walker, Plant was always in the lead. Neundorfer finished second, 25 yards in front of Joe Pearson.

That Plant traveled at a good clip during the early stages of the race, is proved by his fractional time. He negotiated the first quarter in 3:21 1-5, did the half mile in 3:15 2-5, was caught at the three-quarter mark by the scant margin of 40 to 115 yards, but he was still in the lead. Neundorfer completed the first mile in 6:43 2-5. He was credited with 10:17 2-5 for the mile and a half, and with 12:06 for the mile and three-quarters.

## Cutbill Wins Mile Handicap.

The mile handicap race, which attracted an entry of sixty-three athletes, was won by Hal Cutbill, the "Flying Parson" of the Boston Athletic Association, after a stirring finish with S. Kerr of the University of Pennsylvania. Cutbill, who holds the national 1,000 yard championship, started from scratch and won the event by the scant margin of one foot over the Quaker City collegian. Kerr was in receipt of 50 yards.

H. H. Lyons of Loughlin Lyceum, who started from the 100 yard line, was third, twenty-five yards in the rear of Kerr. Cutbill was clocked in 4 minutes 19 1-5 seconds.

So great was the number of contestants entered that the event was divided into two races. Cutbill started in the second race, in which thirty athletes faced the starter. Cutbill allowed his twenty-nine rivals handicaps ranging from 40 to 115 yards. Despite these obstacles, the Hub runner was seen in front on the semi-final lap, leading by six yards.

Cutbill at this stage appeared to have the race won and was not over-exercising himself. Kerr, who was running in sixth place, taking advantage of Cutbill's easy efforts, increased his stride and was fast drawing up in front. It was not until the Pennsylvania athlete was within striking distance of Cutbill that the Boston star woke up. For the last half mile of the race, this pair raced as a team. Cutbill shaking off Kerr in the final few strides.

## Higgins Wins Title.

Joe Higgins of the New York Athletic Club won the metropolitan championship for the half mile, defeating Al Dolder, clubman, and William Parker of the St. Christopher's Club, who finished in the order named. Higgins's time was 2:50 3-5.

In the fifty yard dash, a special event, H. B. Lever of the University of Pennsylvania, was first, negotiating the distance in 5:5 3-5 seconds. Bernie Webers, Jr., New York Athletic Club, was second, and Frank Conway of Mercersburg Academy, third.

The Johns Hopkins University relay team won the one mile intercollegiate race, defeating the teams of New York and Bowdoin Universities. The time was 3:21 3-5.

Bernie Webers, Jr., turned the tables in the 100 yard dash, a special event, on the victor of the fifty yard dash, H. B. Lever. Webers was first and Lever second. Frank Conway of Mercersburg Academy was third. The time was 10:1 3-5 seconds.

## The Summary.

100 Yard Dash (Handicap)—First heat, won by J. Furlinger, Paulist A. C. (40 yards), 10:1 3-5 seconds. Second heat, won by J. Furlinger, Paulist A. C. (40 yards), 10:1 3-5 seconds. Second heat, won by J. Furlinger, Paulist A. C. (40 yards), 10:1 3-5 seconds.

JAY GOULD FAILS  
AT SQUASH TENNIS

Takes First Two Games From F. Van S. Hyde, Then Weakens.

By SAMUEL J. BROOKMAN.

Jay Gould of court tennis fame made a sensational bid for the national squash tennis championship at the Harvard Club yesterday. He outplayed Filmore Van S. Hyde, the title holder, in the first two games, but dropped the next three only because the champion had more strength in reserve in a whirlwind finish.

The match was one of the semi-finals of the annual tournament, which will wind up to-morrow, when Hyde meets Thomas R. Coward in the title contest. The score of 11-15, 4-15, 15-9, 15-9, gives a good idea of how the tide shifted.

Over-anxious at the start, the champion contributed so many errors at critical stages that despite periods of brilliant playing he fell behind rapidly. He showed a tendency to drive too low and into the left side or too high and over the four line on the back wall. A succession of six errors gave Gould a lead of 11-6 in the sixth hand of the opening game and the Columbia grad-uate never was headed in that division of play.

Gould was at his best in the second game, in which he placed beautifully and put all he had behind every stroke. His control, too, continued so good that only one error was charged against him in that game. Hyde went nine hands without scoring a point and Gould in the meantime brought his total by easy stages to 8. The Harvard man sprang at that point and drew up to 4-9, but Gould was not to be denied just then and his assortment of low, cleverly placed shots gave him the lead in fifty yard dash, a special event, at 12-5. Hyde took the third game, a seven minute rest followed, after which both men came back considerably

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